

Walks - Sunday September 5th 2021

Closing date Wednesday 1st September

Walk 1 – Tolmount (958m) & Tom Buidhe (957m) from Auchallater.

Walk up the track following the Callater Burn to Loch Callater Lodge. Continue on Jocks Road past Coire Kander before climbing to Tolmount summit. From here onto Tom Buidhe before heading round the head of Coire Loch Kander to pickup the path back to Loch Callater.

Total distance 27km, ascent 840m, 8 hrs, OS maps 43 & 44. Good level of fitness required.

Meet 8.45am Auchallater car park (NO155881).

Book through Walk Coordinator Graham Neish: alford2015@hotmail.com

Walk 2 – Peter's Hill 568m and Creagan Riabhach 533m (from Ballater).

From Ballater to Monaltrie in the Pass of Ballater and then ascending by forest track and path to Creagan Riabhach. A short section off path over Peter's Hill before descending on good track through Glen Bardy to Abergairn and onwards to Ballater via the railway track above the River Dee.

Total distance 16km, ascent 520m, 5.5 hrs, OS 37 Strathdon. Moderate level of fitness required **Meet 9.30am, Ballater Village Square car park.**

Book through Walk Coordinator John Adams: john@adamsnet.co.uk

Walk 3 - River Dee Banchory - Blackhall forest- Hill of Tillylair(248m) - Scolty Hill (299m) - Banchory

Scenic and varied circular walk starting from the Bellfield carpark in Banchory along the River Dee, through Blackhall forest past the Hill of Tillylair, with an optional detour to the 3000 year old prehistoric Bucharn burial cairn and along the forest edge up Scolty hill and back to Banchory. Easy walking, mostly on good forest paths, although some of the minor paths are liable to be waterlogged in wet weather.

Total distance 19km, ascent 300m, 5.5 hrs, OS 37 Strathdon OS 38 Aberdeen. Moderate fitness required Meet 9.00am, Bellfield car park in Banchory.

Book through Walk Coordinator Marijke Ross: marijkebucharn@googlemail.com

There has been NO RECENT RECONNAISANCE on any of these routes, but all are on routes previously walked. Please carry your own hand sanitizer and face covering, the latter for use in situations where relevant ongoing COVID restrictions apply. For latest guidance regarding travelling in private vehicles with others in Scotland check:

Advice on how to travel safely (transport.gov.scot)

Walkers must wear walking boots (gaiters essential), carry WARM and waterproof clothing, hat and gloves and take plenty of food and liquids.

Culter hillwalking club has no members who are qualified leaders or instructors. Therefore anyone volunteering to assist the club on a walk cannot be held responsible for other members' welfare. Members must be aware they are solely responsible for themselves at all times. Hillwalking and mountaineering are activities with a danger of personal injury and death. Those participating in these activities should be aware of the risks and accept the responsibility for their own actions and involvement. No responsibility can be accepted by Culter Hillwalking club committee, members, guests or co-ordinators of walks for any mishap, which may occur, during a walk. Dog owners must ensure that their dogs are on a short lead at all times.